Construction of a Bridge over the Cauvery at Bannur.

Q.—20. **Mr. M. MAYIGOWDA** (T.-Narsipur Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether an estimate had been prepared for the construction of a bridge across the Cauvery at Bannur and, if so, the amount of the estimate ;

(*b*) (i) whether statistics were collected to ascertain the probable income accruing from levying toll on traffic over the proposed bridge ; (ii) what that income is ; (iii) whether another attempt is being made to collect fresh statistics ;

(*c*) (i) whether there is a proposal to build a causeway across the river at Bannur ; (ii) whether an estimate for the said work has been prepared ; (iii) if so, the amount ;

(*d*) whether the question of the construction of the bridge was not discussed for many years in this Assembly and finally decided that the bridge was necessary ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** (Mr. N. Sarabhoja).—

(*a*) No detailed estimate is prepared. Roughly it would cost about Rs. 5 lakhs.

(*b*) (i) to (iii) The answer is in the negative.

(*c*) (i) Yes.

(ii) and (iii) The estimate for the causeway is under preparation.

(*d*) The question has been discussed, but after the construction of the bridges across the Cauvery and Kapini near T.-Narasipur, the bridge near Bannur is considered not urgent.

Mr. MAYI GOWDA.—Bannur is a very big village with a land revenue demand of Rs. 30,000. The residents of that place are experiencing a considerable amount of trouble for want of a bridge. May I therefore suggest that in place of a causeway the Government be pleased to construct a regular bridge ?

Mr. PRESIDENT.—We have to consider the cost which it would involve, the necessity for incurring that expenditure, whether any other bridges are more urgently required, etc., before taking up construction of the bridge which the member is suggesting.

Mr. MAYI GOWDA.—There can be no doubt about the necessity for a bridge, even from the point of view of heavy traffic at the place.

Mr. PRESIDENT.—We shall note your suggestion.

Construction of a Bridge over the Arkavati near Kankanhalli.

Q.—1. **Messrs. B. S. SIDDAPPA** (Kankanhalli Taluk) and **K. P. PARASIVAIYA** (Kankanhalli Municipality).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the year in which the estimate for constructing a bridge across the Arkavati near Kankanhalli was prepared originally ;

(*b*) the amount of the estimate, so prepared ;

(*c*) whether any revised estimate to suit the present conditions has been prepared ;

(*d*) the amount of the revised estimate ;

(*e*) whether this work has been included in the programme of bridges to be constructed ;

(*f*) the number of bridges intended to be completed before taking up this work ;

(*g*) whether Government intend taking up this work during the current year ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT** (Mr. N. Sarabhoja).—

(*a*) In the year 1935.

(*b*) Two alternative estimates were prepared, one costing Rs. 1,19,350, and the other Rs. 1,31,475.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Rs. 1,25,000.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No such thing is contemplated.

(*g*) This is under consideration.